

REMARKS

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed May 5, 2003, in connection with the captioned application, Applicants elect to prosecute the claims of Group III drawn to monocyclic compounds and their pharmaceutical compositions (Claims 1 and 30) without traverse. Applicants further elect under 35 U.S.C. § 121 the C-terminal amidated form of SEQ ID NO 77 for initial examination on the merits. Provisionally elected Claims 1 and 30 read on the elected species. Applicants remind the Examiner that Claims 2-29, 32-37 and 40-47 were canceled without prejudice in a Preliminary Amendment filed on May 24, 2001.

The species election is being made solely to facilitate examination and Applicants are entitled to consideration of other species upon allowance of a generic claims.

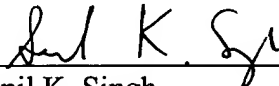
Accompanying this response is a Petition for Extension of Time containing a provision for payment of the fee extending the period for response by five months, to and including, November 5, 2003. No fee is believed due beyond the extension fee filed concurrently herewith. However, if it is determined that additional fees are due, please charge them to Deposit Account No. 03-3117.

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